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Tom DeLay is Helping to Make the NASA Vision a Reality.

Dear Friend,

Last month, the heroic men and women of NASA made history again by returning the Space Shuttle to flight. Discovery's historic trip affirms a vision of exploration and will lead to human missions to the moon, Mars, and beyond. Even for a community accustomed to making history, these are exciting days for NASA.

I have been pleased to consistently champion a bold vision for the future of America's space program in Congress. It is imperative that NASA have the necessary resources to implement that vision. Earlier this summer, I was instrumental in ensuring the House-passed spending bill included \$16.5 billion for NASA (\$275 million more than last year's bill), and I recently worked with my colleagues in the House to pass an authorization bill that will give NASA the additional tools it needs to support its mission.

I believe in the importance of NASA's vision for our community and for the world. You may be certain that I am committed to continue my strong support of our nation's space program.

Sincerely,

Tom DeLay

Member of Congress

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Congressman DeLay speaks with the Discovery crew and Administrator Griffin regarding the success of their historic missio

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